




REMARKS

Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claim 1 is canceled, and new claims 2-21 are added. It is believed that the foregoing amendments and additions add no new matter to the present application.

Favorable action in regard to the application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted ,

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10 **MULTILAYER CONDUCTIVE APPLIANCE HAVING
WOUND HEALING AND ANALGESIC PROPERTIES**

Cross-Reference to Related Application

15 This application is a Continuation of pending prior
International Application Serial No. PCT/US98/19689 filed on
September 22, 1998, which claims priority to U.S. Application
08/935,026 filed on September 22, 1997.

Technical Field of the Invention

20 The present invention relates to wound dressings and
medical devices for restoring the premorbid electro-biological activity
of tissue systems that are altered by pathological conditions in the
animal and human body. More particularly, it relates to metalized
dressings and medical devices that enhance tissue healing and reduce
25 the perception of pain by influencing in a passive (non energy
requiring) manner the electrical parameters of the injured tissue and
that may also exhibit antibacterial and antifungal efficacy.

Background Art

30 Wound treatment has become a more highly developed
area of scientific and commercial investigation as new research has
revealed the workings of the healing process. More rapid healing of a